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Elba P.D. continues to 'police' drugs with possession arrests

Elba Police arrested three suspects, two females and one male, last week on varying illegal drug charges.

On Tuesday, May 9, police arrested Katie Thacker, age 48, of Elba. She was booked into the Coffee County Jail at 2:52 p.m. that afternoon on charges of possession of a controlled substance [\$10,000 bond], misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$6,000 bond], and receiving stolen property - second degree [\$15,000 bond].

Thacker also is being held on three counts of bond revocation, according to the jail records. She remained in the jail as of press time this week.

The following evening, Wednesday, May 10, Elba Police arrested Kimberly Richardson-Layton, age



Thacker



Richardson-Layton



44, of Enterprise, Ala. She was booked into the county jail at 7:46 p.m. that night on charges of possession of a controlled substance [\$15,000 bond], and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$2,500 bond].

Richardson-Layton remained in the county jail as of press time this week.

On Thursday, May 11, Elba Police arrested Blake Head, age 26, of Elba. He was booked into the county jail at 8:19 p.m. last Thursday night.

Head was charged with possession of marijuana - first degree [\$15,000 bond], conspiracy to commit a controlled substance crime [\$15,000 bond], misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$5,000 bond], and bond revocation. He too remained in the county jail as of press time this week.



The Elba High School Alumni Association donated the softball equipment pictured above last Friday, May 12, to the Elba Elementary School physical education department to allow EES girls to better learn and play the sport of softball. Accepting the donation for the school were several students, administrators, and the physical education teacher. They are (from left) Genesis Johnson, Sadie Barnes, Superintendent Chris Moseley, EES Principal Kenya Martin, EES P.E. teacher Glen Johnson, Cora Mauldin, Perry-Kate McCord, and Parrish Grantham.

Elba High Alumni Association donates softball equipment to EES

The Elba High School Alumni Association continues to work to meet the needs of Elba City Schools when those needs are brought to the association's board.

Recently, the association was approached with a need for the girls' physical education program at Elba Elementary School. In the spring, students enjoy learning about and playing baseball and softball during their P.E. times.

"Our board was approached about a need for softball equipment for the elementary school girls," said Linda

Hodge, president of the Elba High School Alumni Association. "It was discovered that the boys had much more equipment available to play baseball during P.E. than the girls had equipment for softball."

After a little investigating, our board members felt this was a need we could help remedy. "The alumni association purchased bats, gloves, batting helmets, batting tee's, and fielding masks to help the elementary school girls to be able to properly and safely play softball as part of the physical education learning."

"After realizing the boys had most of the equipment needed to play baseball, we wanted the girls to have the same opportunity for softball," Hodge said. "All sports, boys and girls, are important for our students, and the alumni association is happy to help supply equipment to ensure the

elementary students are learning the game properly."

The equipment was delivered last Friday, May 12, to Elba Elementary School.

Superintendent Chris Moseley, EES principal Kenya Martin, and EES physical education teacher Glen Johnson accepted the donation from the Elba High School Alumni Association. Each thanked the alumni association for this generous donation to the physical education department.

"This is just one of the many ways we try to assist Elba City Schools each school year," said Linda Hodge, president of the Elba High School Alumni Association. "Knowing we can play a small part to bettering the education of our students makes it all worthwhile."

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On Wednesday of this week, the alumni association presented two \$1,500 monetary scholarships to graduating seniors from the high school. One male student and one female student were the recipients of this year's scholarship awards.

"We have always been extremely proud of our scholarship program," Hodge added. "The \$3,000 award to this year's recipients brings our overall total to \$24,500 in scholarship monies provided to Elba High School seniors since 2016 to help them continue their education beyond high school."

The 2023 Alumni Scholarship award recipients were announced during the Honors Day program Wednesday morning for the Class of 2023.

NEWS BRIEF

Elba Police arrested Marion Brunson III, age 32, of Elba for first degree theft of property charges.

According to the Coffee County Jail records, Brunson was booked into the county jail at 6:29 p.m. Sunday evening, and he was charged with theft of property - first degree. His bond was set at \$10,000.

As of press time this week, Brunson remained in the county jail.



Area Happenings

The Elba Splash Pad is open for the season. Call the Elba Parks and Recreation at (334) 897-6833 for more information.

The Elba Public Library's Summer Learning Program will be held June 1 - July 28 this year. Registration is underway now. This program is fun for all ages, including adults. For more information, call (334) 897-6921 or email - library@elbaal.gov. Participants can register online at www.elbapubliclibrary.com



John Nevin (left) and his dad are pictured in front of Nevin's 1967 Chevrolet Chevelle that won "Best in Show" at the 2023 Foggy Bottom Cruisin' Car Show, sponsored by the Foggy Bottom Cruisers car club, which is local to the Elba area. The car show was held this year as part of the Rockin' the River event in Elba.

1967 Chevy Chevelle takes home "Best in Show" from recent Foggy Bottom Car Show held in Elba

"A great turnout" was the overall description for the 2023 Foggy Bottom Car Show held Saturday, May 6, as part of the Rockin' the River festival in Elba, Ala. Cars and trucks on display were on all sides of the downtown courthouse square for spectators to see. Also, judges made their way around the square looking to name winners based on classifications.

The Best of Show award this year went to John Nevin with his 1967 Chevy Chevelle. Judges Choice awards were presented to Mickey Marrel with a 1931 Ford Model A; Larry Johnson with a 1966 Chevy SS Nova; Terry Prater with a 1969 Chevy Chevelle; Charles Hammonds with a 1971 Dodge Dart; JonAshley Amison with a 1994 Chevrolet Impala SS; Bill and Darlene Altman with a 2017 Chevy Corvette; Barry Kennedy with a 1931

Studebaker Truck; and Rachel Moore with a 1978 International Scout.

Ginger Darabaris received special recognition from the WOOF FM team with her 1971 Chevy Nova.

Classification winners included:

1925-1959 Classic Cars: Roger Lee, 1951 Studebaker Starlite Coupe [1st Place] and Kenny Campbell, 1957 Chevy Belair [2nd Place];

1925-1959 Modified Cars: Terry McPherson, 1955 Chevy Belair [1st Place] and Runt Kennedy, 1957 Chevy Belair [2nd Place];

1960-1966 Classic Cars: Travis Meeks, 1964 Chevy Impala [1st Place] and Rusty and Shelia King, 1965 Ford Mustang [2nd Place];

1960-1966 Modified Cars: David and Katherine Windham, 1965 Shelby 427 Cobra [1st Place] and David Chappell, 1964 Chevy Chevy 2 [2nd Place];

1967-1969 Classic Cars:

John Nevin, 1967 Chevy Chevelle [1st Place] and Todd Saville, 1968 Chevy Camaro [2nd Place];

1967-1969 Modified Cars: Phil Adam, 1967 Chevy Chevelle [1st Place] and Thomas Ray, 1967 Chevy II [2nd Place];

1970-1979 Classic Cars: Mike Thompson, 1970 Chevy Nova SS/350 [1st Place] and Mitch Driggers, 1979 Chevy Corvette [2nd Place];

1970-1979 Modified Cars: Ginger Darabaris, 1971 Chevy Nova [1st Place] and Charlie Thayer, 1972 Chevy Nova [2nd Place];

1980-1994 Classic Cars: Faith Adcock, 1988 Ford Mustang [1st Place] and Shawn Barauskas, 1987 Suzuki Samurai [2nd Place];

1980-1994 Modified Cars: Corey Miller, 1990 Ford Mustang [1st Place]

1995-2022 Classic Cars:

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The 2023 Miss Coffee County Pageants were held recently, and the newly crowned queens were recognized Monday evening, May 15, during the regular work session for the New Brockton Town Council. Queens present for Monday night's recognition were (front, l to r) Teen Miss Coffee County, Adalynne Adkison, Petite Miss Coffee County Sophie Prescott, Future Little Miss Coffee County Adalynn Bryant, and Little Miss Coffee County Ada Donaldson. Not present were Miss Coffee County Mackenzie Alford and Junior Miss Coffee County Ryleigh Scarlett. Also pictured with the queens (back row, l to r) New Brockton Mayor Ralph Medley, New Brockton council members Ronald Terry and Justin Flowers, and pageant coordinator Ashley Merritt.

BRAINSTORMS

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"We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children." - Ancient Indian Proverb

Well folks taking the guns away from the nut cases will not make America a "Garden of Eden". Some guy in Virginia took a ball bat to two staff members of a congressman. It put each of them in the hospital. Oh, the lawmaker is a Democrat if that gives any clue as to why the attack. Police have arrested an individual for this dumb act but have not released any reason for his action.

Elijah, James, William, Henry, Benjamin, Theodore, Oliver... The Social Security folks keep records on such stuff and say these were among the top ten names for new born boys in 2022. The more things change, the more they remain the same. Each of these names appear repeatedly when looking at a list of our ancestors. Probably Elijah is the most seen, but the others are also repeats from generation to generation. The girl names are not so much repeats from my past generations, but several do occasionally appear. My names are not that popular. First name John is not in the top ten and my middle name is way on down the list, even though I am a Junior. All that information is worthless, but we enjoyed looking it up.

This part of the United States is often the last to adopt popular changes and this supports age-old jokes about 'us country folks.' However, while much of the country struggles with a flood of illegal immigrants, we basically just read about it in the newspaper or watch it on the tube. Then this week we read that New York City has leased whole hotels just to house the overflow of these immigrants, who have no other place to live. The article featured a young couple who had reserved 20 rooms for family members from around the world who were coming to their wedding, only to have the reservations canceled at the last minute because of the influx. Glad we had not traveled thousands of miles for a wedding and couldn't get a room to sleep.

The City of Elba has officially closed any talk of revamping the recycling system, thus it all goes to the landfill. We say it again, "This upsets us!" Each time we put a piece of paper or an empty peanut butter jar in the garbage, we want to scream.

The school year is fast drawing to a close, with graduation plans actively underway. These kids completing their high school days are hopefully looking forward to an exciting life as they go out into the world. It is hard to grasp that the days are flying by so fast, but it is reality. We wish these young folks the best and pray that they can plan for "The best is yet to come."

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Danny Fowler, 2013 Dodge Challenger [1st Place] and Randy Kleven, 2007 Ford GT500 [2nd Place];

1995-2022 Modified Cars: Marlon Thomas, 2019 Ford Shelby GT350 [1st Place] and Teresa Daniels, 2014 Ford Mustang [2nd Place];

1925-1972 Classic Trucks: Danny Helms, 1968 Ford F-100 [1st Place] and Beverly McCall, 1969 GMC 1500 [2nd Place];

1925-1972 Modified

Trucks: Runt Kennedy, 1962 Chevy C-10 [1st Place] and Ruth Stokes, 1955 GMC100 [2nd Place];

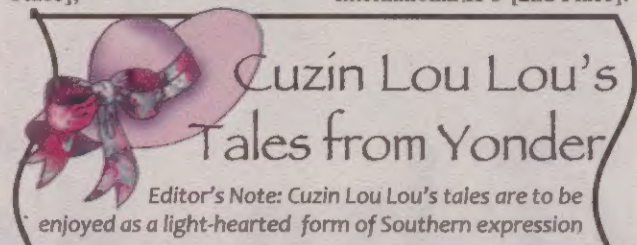
1973-2022 Classic Trucks: Jim Campbell, 1981 Chevy LUV [1st Place] and Freddie Tankersley, 2019 Ram R/T [2nd Place];

1973-2022 Modified Trucks: Venny Cable, 1995 Ford Bronco [1st Place] and Michael Strickland, Ford F1 [2nd Place];

Foreign Cars: Petra Younger,

1982 Mercedes 380 SL [1st Place] and Nick Eliopoulos, 2022 Hyundai Elantra [2nd Place];

Wild Things: R.J. Lott, 1961 Harley Davison XLGHR [1st Place] and John Tyson, 1941 International K-3 [2nd Place].



It is no secret that Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister enjoy

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, May 9, 2023, and Monday, May 15, 2023, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, May 9 - Suspicious circumstances reported at 923 Roosevelt Dr (12:36 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 406 Simmons St (5:35 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 866 Cedar Lane Dr (9:54 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a written warning.

Wednesday, May 10 - Child abuse reported in the area of Reese Ave and Guyton St (8:47 a.m.); Structure fire reported at 661 Reynolds Ave (1:37 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1131 Guyton St (2:03 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 702 Newton St (2:15 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 154 Yelverton Ave - w/arrest (3:59 p.m.); Drug activity reported to Elba Police (4:13 p.m.); Harassment reported to Elba Police (4:15 p.m.); Prowler reported on Adkinson Ave (8:50 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in one assistance rendered, four written warnings, and one citation.

Thursday, May 11 - Suspicious circumstances reported at 381 Tiger Dr (12:46 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 655 Smith Ave (8:17 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 435 Reese Ave - w/impound (10:30 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 1131 Guyton St (1:44 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances

reported at 723 Kennedy Dr (2:40 p.m.); Drug activity reported to Elba Police (2:52 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on Smith Ave (2:52 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 103 Adkinson Ave (3:26 p.m.); Drug activity reported at 154 Yelverton Ave - w/arrest (6:29 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 5347 County Rd 364 (8:51 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (9:48 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (11:31 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in two verbal warnings, and one citation.

Friday, May 12 - Suspicious circumstances reported at 827 Washington Ave (2:00 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Hwy 203 (4:06 a.m.); Assault reported at 804 Hwy 203 (8:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 655 Smith Ave (1:07 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1243 Neil Grantham Dr (2:00 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 325 Brunson Circle (3:35 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 827 Washington Ave (5:40 p.m.).

Saturday, May 13 - Suspicious vehicle reported at 412 Claxton Ave-N (6:58 a.m.); Burglary reported at 1131 Guyton St (4:42 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 632 Claxton Ave N (11:31 p.m.); Stolen vehicle report-

ed at 541 County Rd 613, New Brockton (11:51 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in assistance rendered.

Sunday, May 14 - Report of shots fired on Hardin St (1:12 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (3:30 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 - w/verbal warning issued (10:15 a.m.); Machinery/Equipment fire reported in area of Jackson Ave and Thomas St (12:54 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 325 Brunson Circle - w/arrest (5:22 p.m.); Report of shots fired on Farris Ave (11:09 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1209 Farris Ave (11:26 p.m.).

Monday, May 15 - Suspicious circumstances reported at 876 Cedar Lane Dr (3:56 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 3144 Hwy 125 (10:10 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 405 Adkinson Ave (1:19 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 413 Adkinson Ave B (1:20 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1456 Smith Ave - w/impound (1:25 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 507 Briarwood Dr 16C (4:48 p.m.); Vehicle pursuit reported in area of Hwy 87 S and County Rd 418 (5:22 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 11927 Hwy 189 (10:45 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

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traveling, but a news article headline Lou Lou saw recently has one city off the list of wanting to go there... at least until Lou Lou can get the thought of what happened out of her mind!

There are horror stories about travel anywhere people may go, especially when it comes to large 'tourist attraction' areas. It is always a must to compare the good with the bad and try to make an educating decision on where to go and what to do.

Lou Lou investigates, as much as she can, when she and the Yonder gang will be venturing off into an area they have never visited before, but that sometimes is not a guarantee either. Some news headlines really put a 'black mark' on some places, and that was the case recently when Lou Lou saw the headline that made her exclaim, "What in the name of Yonder?!?!?"

The headline was so disturbing to Lou Lou that she would not even read the article for fear of losing her breakfast! It read, "Nashville hotel manager charged after allegedly sucking on sleeping guest's toes..."

That was all Lou Lou needed to read to decide Nashville would not be in her travel plans any day soon! After she recovered from her own shock, Lou Lou sent a screenshot of the headline to Sister, and that really got a "Nope" reaction from her!

As Lou Lou and Sister discussed the disturbing information, they each wondered, "What in the world is wrong with people these days?"

Of course, Lou Lou has questions about the headline, but she simply could not bring herself to actually read the article...she was too afraid of what she might discover if she did read it. Yet, she ponders, "How did he get into the guest room without that awakening them?"

Lou Lou also hopes the man carried a good 'ole Yonder butt whooping, or at least a hard kick in the nose, for his actions!

If anyone has read or looks up and reads the article out of curiosity, maybe you can fill Lou Lou in on her ponderings to keep her from actually having to read the article. Even weeks later, she just can't bring herself to do it!

You can also rest assured that Lou Lou plans to block the doorway with a chair next time she stays at a hotel! No way does she want to chance anything like that happening...poor Sister would never recover!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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Obituaries

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LULA "MERLENE" FLOWERS

Mrs. Lula "Merlene" Flowers died Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at her home in the Wilkenstown community.

Merlene was born November 9, 1949, to the late Perry and Merle Baker. She was married to Bobby Joe Flowers for 56 years.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 12, 2023, at Skeen Funeral Home with Rev. Rick Hayes officiating. Burial followed at Hebron Baptist Church Cemetery with Skeen Funeral Home directing.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bobby Joe Flowers.

Survivors include four children: Lesia Grice (Jimmy), Ozark, Ala.; Bobby Joe Flowers II, and Michael Flowers (April), all of Wilkenstown, and Stephen Flowers, Troy, Ala.; 11 grandchildren: Christopher DuBose (Danielle), Tiffany Henderson (Cameron), Cody DuBose (Laney), Myron Davis (Angel), Chelsia Kilpatrick (John), Perry Davis (Chelsea), Erin Flowers, Lindsay Flowers, Brandon Flowers, Dakota Flowers and Sharon Flowers; nine great-grandchildren: Remington and Hampton DuBose, Camden and Miles Henderson, Baileigh, Maddie, and Braison Kilpatrick, Adam and Gabriel Davis; brother and sister-in-law: Murry "Bubba" (Christine) Baker, sister and brother-in-law: Linda "Sister" (James) Sheets; along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

SHIRLEY EILEEN EILAND

Mrs. Shirley Eileen Eiland, age 67, of Opp, Ala., died Thursday, May 11, 2023, at Opp Health and Rehabilitation.

Graveside services were held Monday, May 15, 2023, from New Home Cemetery with Rev. Phillip Adcock officiating and Hayes Funeral

Home of Elba directing.

Mrs. Eiland was preceded in death by her husband - Charles Douglas Eiland, father - William Franklin Artz, mother - Shirley Artz, and sisters - Christy Burris, and Sheree Artz.

Survivors include her daughter: April (Alex) Andreucci, Chicago, Ill.; sons: Jeremy Adam (Amber) Artz, New Brockton, Ala., Jason Allen Artz, Mount Morris, Ill., William F. (Theresa) Artz, of Va., and Shean Artz, of Ill.; sister: Colleen Artz, Peoria, Ill.; sisters-in-law: Bonnie King, and Lynn Morrison, both of Opp, and Cheryl Adcock, Elba, Ala.; along with 10 grandchildren.

SHIRLEY ELAINE SLAWSON

Mrs. Shirley Elaine Slawson, age 77, of Elba, Ala., died Friday, May 12, 2023, at her home.

In accordance with her wishes, no formal services will be held at this time. The family is being served by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba.

Survivors include her daughters: Melissa (James) Montgomery, Elba, Erica (Jeremy) Phillips, New Brockton, Ala., and Pamela (Steve) Harrison, Elba; son: Tony Calhoun, Dothan, Ala.; sister: Betty Miles, Toccoa, Ga.; brother: Ronnie Walden, Elba; grandsons: David Calhoun, Dothan, John Robert Phillips, New Brockton, and Stevie Calhoun, of Fla.; granddaughters: Sherrie Calhoun, of Mon., Jaci Phillips, and Kyla Phillips, both of New Brockton.

VIRGINIA HOWARD

Mrs. Virginia Howard, age 92, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 14, 2023, from Elba United Methodist Church with Min. Steve Reneau officiating. Burial services followed in the

Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. The family requested memorial contributions be made to Elba United Methodist Church, 503 Davis St, Elba, AL 36323.

Mrs. Howard was preceded in death by her parents - Lester and Addie Ham Wicker, sisters - Refina Grimes, Marie Antoinette Wicker Knight, and Audrey Pastine Smith; brothers - Wilford Wicker, Wayne Wicker, Wesley Wicker, and Cecil Wicker.

Survivors include her husband: Robert Dell Howard, Elba; daughters: Valerie (Mike) McGuire, Elba, and Kelley Howard (Gordon) McElroy, Mohnton, Pa.; sons: Kevin Michael (Marian) Howard, Arley, Ala., and David Mitchell (Cheryl) Howard, Saint Petersburg, Fla.; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

BILL SHERMAN KELLEY

Mr. Bill Sherman Kelley, of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, May 11, 2023.

Funeral services were held Monday May 15,

2023, at Poplar Springs Missionary Baptist Church with Coleman Funeral Home and Crematory of Elba directing.

Bill was born Nov. 4, 1961 to the late Buford and Nunnie Mae Kelly of Elba. He was born the youngest of eight children (six deceased).

Survivors include his stepchildren: Vince and Vanessa McTear, both of Opp, Ala.; brother: Charles Kelly (Eloise), Elba; along with a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, family and friends.

EDWARD RAY DISOTELL

Mr. Edward Ray Disotell, of Elba, Ala., died Monday, May 8, 2023.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at Word of Faith Church with Coleman Funeral Home and Crematory of Elba directing.

He was born in Meridian Miss. to Frank Disotell and Ida Eugena Johnson on October 19, 1943 and moved Elba when he was 16-years-old. He lived his life to preach the Gospel

and spent over 50 years as an evangelist and pastored churches.

Survivors include his wife: Sharon F. Disotell; brother-in-law: Kenneth Stewart (wife Donna), Birmingham, Ala.; son: Edward Ray Disotell II "Bud" (wife Michelle), Elba; daughter: Renee Kelley (husband Mickey), Troy, Ala.; grandchildren: Camden Kelley (wife Tori), Ft. Payne, Ala., Candace Farris (husband Colby), Enterprise Ala., Hayden Disotell (wife Ashley), Elba, Brianna Morgan (husband Cory), Brantley, Ala., and Devin Jackson (wife Kayla), Elba; great-grandchildren: Paisley-Kate Disotell, Evan Morgan, Gracie Mae Farris, Madalyn Morgan, Rhett Jackson, Riggs Jackson; his daughter by marriage: Shannon Stewart, Fountain, Fla.; grandchildren by marriage: Brooke Schad, and Ethan Robertson; niece: Pricilla Keller (husband Greg) and their children - Emma and William, Auburn, Ala.

Elba Evergreen Cemetery Board requests -

The Evergreen Cemetery Board is currently searching for descendants of F.M. Dean who died April 24, 1922, along with descendants of Ada Harp Blue who died Oct. 12, 1924. Anyone with information concerning these individuals or their living family members are asked to contact our Cemetery sexton at 334-389-4458.

The Evergreen Cemetery Board reminds families with loved buried at Evergreen Cemetery and Hillcrest Memorial Gardens that any non-affixed items, such as figurines, solar lights, banners, or other memorabilia are not permissible. Entering the height of the lawn care maintenance season, items that impede mowing are subject to removal and disposal by the groundskeeper. We ask any such items be removed from the effected graves immediately. Artificial flowers are welcomed, but must be placed in a permanent holder made of granite, marble, or concrete which secures them in an upright position. For questions regarding acceptable items contact the sexton at 334-389-4458.

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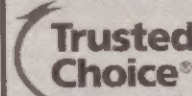
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An open letter to area graduates and their families

Dear graduates,

Congratulations on this important milestone—graduation from high school. You've achieved much and should be proud of yourself. I'm sure your family is proud of you, too! After all, you didn't get to this moment without their love, support, and help. So don't forget to tell Mom and Dad and everyone else who helped get you to this place—including your teachers—"Thank you!"

You have so much of life ahead of you. You are full of anticipation and excitement. And you should be. The "commencement" is just that...a beginning—a launch into a new time of your life. How exciting is that? And probably a little scary, too. Am I right?

Just think of the major decisions that you will likely make in the next few years: College? Or not? Vocation? Marriage? Kids? Noted author and psychologist, James Dobson, has called the years from 16-26 "the critical decade." The decisions you make about these things and others will set the course of your life. Better choose carefully. And thoughtfully. Remember: there is wisdom in a multitude of counselors. So, surround yourself with people you trust to give you godly and sound advice. Not all things have to be learned the hard way!

I remember when I was 18 and graduating from high school, just like you. My life was in front of me. On a 24-hour clock it was about 6 a.m. in my life. The sun was just rising. I am now 66 and I have lived 24,388 days. If I live to be 80, I have 4,815 days left. I have lived 82.5% of my life. It's now 8 p.m. in the early evening of my life. I have four hours to live.

Where did all those days go? One thing I'm reminded of daily is the truism that "time flies." Some wise philosopher once noted that life is like toilet paper. The closer you get to the end, the faster it goes. So true.

What now seems to you to be an endless morning of unending promise will one day turn into 8 p.m.—the early evening of the life you chose to live. You will look back over your life and the paramount question will be: have I invested my life in something that really matters? When that day comes—and it certainly will if you live long enough—the most important thing will be to feel good about how you have lived your life and the person you have become.

So, young men and women, remember that you are building a life—yours! Build well.

Church & Area News

Homecoming services set for May 21st at Mount Zion Baptist Church

Mount Zion Baptist Church, located at 774 County Rd. 223 (Mixon's Crossroads), New Brockton, Ala., will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, May 21, beginning at 10:15 a.m.

Homecoming services will begin with music from Old Southern Gospel at 10:15 a.m. followed by the Morning Message at 11 a.m. with Dr. John Granger speaking. A covered dish lunch and fellowship will follow at 12 noon.

All are invited to attend.



WYROSICK AWARDED ALABAMA CATTLEMEN'S FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Blair Wyrosick (right) was awarded the Tagged for Campus Involvement Scholarship at the Alabama Cattlemen's Foundation Banquet held Friday, May 5, in Wetumpka, Ala. She is the daughter of Jamie and Lougener Wyrosick of Elba. An alumna of Kinston High School, Wyrosick attends Huntingdon College where she is pursuing a degree in Biochemistry/Pre-Health. She was one of 127 scholarship recipients awarded over \$113,000 in scholarship by the Alabama Cattlemen's Foundation (ACF). The ACF serves to engage in educational and scientific activities to improve the beef cattle industry in Alabama and educate youth on the importance of beef cattle in Alabama.

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

334-282-2200



Scripture: Death comes to all [Ecclesiastes 8: 10-17]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Shelia Magwood, Sharron Fitch, Yazmin McNair, Gladys Wright, Dora Ann Jackson Byrd, Shanika Pruitt/Tyce/Tyrek, Gene Culver, Vernetter Purvis, Larry Rogers

June Birthdays / Anniversaries

Martin Luther & Coretta Scott King Jr. 6/18 W.A. (in memory)
Mason Guley 6/18
Kendra Kyles 6/19
Steve and Sharon Williams 6/19 W.A.
Jerry Culver 6/19
Natasha Warren 6/19
Toshamba Jones 6/20
Cordeshia Hooks 6/20
Sydney Crittenden 6/20
Gwen Coleman 6/21
Dr. Tiffany E. Edwards 6/21
Eva Ann Culver 6/22
A.Z. and Sara Stoudmire 6/24 W.A.

Jesus' Eating Habits

Some time ago a study was undertaken to address the question, "What would Jesus eat?" The study investigated common food of Jesus' day in order to determine what was most likely a regular part of His diet. The Gospels note that Jesus ate fish and honey [Luke 24: 41-43] and shared a typical Passover meal with His disciples [22:15]. They also record different times when Jesus ate

in homes or ate with His disciples, but no specific menu is mentioned on those occasions.

A more important issue involving Jesus' eating habits, according to the Gospels, is whom He ate with. These included Matthew [also known as Levi] the publican [tax collector], in whose house Jesus ate along with "a great company of publicans and of others" [Luke 5:29]. He also ate with unnamed Pharisees [Luke 11:37; 14: 1-24, the scripture from which this text is taken], with various "publicans and sinners" [Luke 15: 1,2], with Martha and Mary [Luke 10: 38-42; John 12: 1-3], and with His disciples (as noted above). In fact, Jesus was criticized as being "gluttonous" [Luke 7:34].

Jesus' eating habits reveal His desire to reach out to all people — both the sinners who knew they were sinners and sinners such as the Pharisees whose self-righteousness blinded them to the truth about their condition.

Those habits highlight Jesus' purpose for coming into the world. As He told another publican, Zacchaeus, "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" [Luke 19:10]. — *Standard Publishing, Part of the David C Cook Family*

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 5/18/23

True or False

Q: When the people of Israel harvested they were to clean the field of all produce.

A: False [Leviticus 23:22]

Q: During the year of Sabbath rest, there was to be no planting or pruning.

A: True [Leviticus 25:4]

Thought to Remember

When God allows extraordinary trials, He gives extraordinary comfort.

Questions for the Week of 5/25/23

True or False

Q: When God asked Moses to go to Pharaoh to gain Israel's release from Egypt, Moses agreed without hesitation to do so.

Q: Solomon asked God for an understanding heart, so that by his wisdom he could bring glory and honor to God.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

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<p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN</p> <p>ABUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rocky Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHEL AME CHURCH Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Greg Cotter, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Remonia Smith, Pastor Church Service... 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Paul Jackson, Pastor Sunday Fellowship... 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal" 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Philip Box, Minister Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY H.L. Buckner, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 1ST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Kit Johnson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Even. Service... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Phillip Adeock, Pastor Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH Overseers - Billy Berry Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>GRACE FELLOWSHIP John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>HOLY TEMPLE COGIC Glenwood, AL Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School... 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH Heath Fountain, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. K. Parks, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays</p> <p>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Olan Strickland, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Loreant Flowers, Minister Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Julian Mitchell, Pastor 1st - 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEWBIB BAPTIST CHURCH Ed Russell, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON Terry McCrummen, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PRATHE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER Roy L. Turner, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH Kerry Saxon, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHADY GROVE AME CHURCH James Boots, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Leon Fortune, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST Pastor Bishop E.H. HHI Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship... 12 noon Even. Service... 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class... 7:00 p.m. Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba Max Reed, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH C.P. Davis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH Donald Mills, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH Lucas Taylor, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p>
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CASE NO. PC-23-028

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SANDRA LEE SKINNER, Deceased.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 25th day of April, 2023, by the Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. PC-2023-027

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GERALDINE MARGARET SPIRA, Deceased

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Donna M. McVeigh,

as Personal Representative of the Estate of Geraldine Margaret Spira on the 25th day of April, 2023, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2019, Richard Brian Norris and Heather Norris, husband and wife, did execute and deliver to First South Farm Credit, ACA, a mortgage on certain real estate hereinafter described, which mortgage appears of record in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, at Official Record Book 184A at page 472, and, WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of said Mortgage as provided herein, which default continued at this date and said Mortgage is subject to foreclosure. NOW, THEREFORE, three weeks notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public outcry for cash, to the highest bid-

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our youngest grandson Cannon paid his Nanny a surprise visit over the weekend for Mother's Day, and his smile and laughter certainly made it a special day for us all. As we age we share daily concerns and worries about our children and grandchildren, but when they are with us all is well with the world. Maybe we should add a holiday named 'Family Day.'

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Lady Tigers competed at the 1A South Region softball tournament last week and claimed one win to complete a successful season with a team that gained experience every time it hit the field and found out that softball can indeed be fun. The team wasn't expected to win a lot of games after a couple of years of struggles and with a roster that included more seventh graders than seniors. However, the girls and coaches never backed away from a challenge and posted a winning record. Great job, and next year should be even better.

*** The Elba Tiger golf team headed up to Auburn early in the week to compete at the 1A-2A State golf tournament and after losing four seniors off last year's team very few expected this year's group to be back at state trying to complete a 'three-peat' as state champions. The success of this year's team proves that the sport of golf has established itself as a major sport at Elba High and that in the years to come will only get better and better. Watch out, golf is growing at Tiger Town and will soon be a spectator sport for its fans.

*** The Brantley Bulldogs made it four series sweeps in-a-row last week as they advanced to the 1A state championship series, at Oxford. The team's slow start had many local folks puzzled, but since the team began its current 12-game winning streak the slow start has been forgotten and the fans up in 'Front Porch City' are talking about where the school will be its newest blur map. The success of the Bulldogs is due to a lot of hard work and dedication from the players and coaches, but is also a result of the winning tradition and teamwork established at Brantley High School for years and years.

*** The Brantley Lady Bulldogs were the only area softball team to advance to the state tournament, but all the teams that made the long trip down to Gulf Shores represented their schools and towns with pride. Brantley was upset in the finals, but rallied to advance as the tournament runner-up and will be a team no one wants to face at state, while Kinston win a pair of games and placed fourth in a very competitive 1A bracket, and Zion Chapel really opened some eyes despite getting probably the toughest draw at the 2A tourney as it competed against top-ranked Wicksburg, perennial state power G.W. Long and local power Arton. All the area teams played hard and made their fans proud!

*** The Elba Tigers will wrap up spring football practice this week with a jamboree, and while all Tiger fans are anxious to see the team in action, I imagine the coaches are more interested in getting the games on film and evaluating the players during the summer as everyone at Tiger Town prepares for what is expected to be another banner season. Elba still may not have as much depth as some other teams in their classification, but they have as much talent as any team their size in the state, and all the fans of the black and gold are already excited.

*** In closing.... The start of a new school year is still months away, but there have already been some coaching changes at local schools that should make the new year quite interesting. Over at New Brockton, the Gamecocks will have new head coaches in football, basketball and volleyball, while at Kinston, the Bulldogs will have a new basketball coach. Stability is a just for success at any level, especially high school, and hopefully the schools will find the right coaches that will make the choice to build a program and not just improve their resumes.

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Thursday night at Tiger Stadium

Elba Tigers to host jamboree



The Elba Tigers will close spring football practice on Thursday night with a three-team jamboree at Tiger Stadium, and while Coach Marc Sieving admits he is excited about the upcoming game, he is also concerned about the talent level of the opponents his team will line up against.

"Carroll is a 5A team that made the playoffs last season and Goshen was a very good 2A team by the end of last season after being down for a little while," said Sieving, "and we know both teams will come here looking to end spring training on a positive note and to take home some wins. We are a 1A club and don't have anywhere near the depth of either team, but we are excited and will get after it in both games and will play to win."

The schedule for the

game has Elba taking on Goshen at 6:00, followed by the Goshen-Carroll game, with the final game being Elba against Carroll. All games will be two quarter contests, with a twenty-minute break between games.

"We have looked at a little film on both Carroll and Goshen and while we will have a game plan, it will be more of a game plan for us than our opponents," admitted Sieving. "Both teams have really good backs and we expect them both to be

physical on defense, and be able to play a lot more folks than us. They will no doubt do some things that will cause us problems, but we hope we can do some things that might cause them some problems, too. It is a spring game and no one really knows what their opponents will do. So, we expect all the teams to do what they do best and play hard on every play."

When asked about the spring drills, Coach Sieving stated, "It has been a good spring. We have worked hard to get better in everything we do, and the players are all bigger, faster and stronger than a year ago. We had a lot of players coming back from last season and the experience factor has really been a plus in all we have done. The players know the system, know what their jobs are

and have been working hard in the weight room and on the field to be the best they can be. We have out in a few wrinkles and think everything has gone good. The major concern is a lack of depth. We have a good group of juniors and seniors, but only four or five sophomores, and that size class really hurts. We are working at playing folks at different positions to give the players a rest, but at most times you have to keep your best eleven on the field, and that is when the lack of depth can really hurt. We will keep working to build more depth and establish a substitution pattern that will work. Spring has been good for the team and we will enter the summer looking to build on what we did and to get ready for a season that we are all excited about.

Elba Lady Tigers grab South Region win

Statistics from
GAMECHANGER

The Elba Lady Tigers competed at the Class 1A South Region Softball Tournament last week at Gulf Shores and bounced back from an opening round loss to claim a 16-6 five-inning win over Fruitdale.

Fruitdale scored in the top of the first inning to grab an early 1-0 lead, but the lead didn't last for long as Elba plated five runs in its half of the inning to take a 5-1 advantage.

A leadoff double by Destinee Tidwell sparked the early scoring explosion, while Ana Caldwell ripped a two-out, two-run single, Mary Brooklyn O'Neal followed with an rbi double and A'Lyric Whitfield doubled and scored on an error to put the Lady Tigers on top 5-1.

Fruitdale pulled even at 5-5 in the second. However, the Lady Tigers quickly went back on top as Destinee Tidwell came through with a one-out single and Aimee Senn drew her second walk of the game to put runners on first and second. Danielle Tidwell delivered an rbi single, Senn scored on a fielder's choice off the bat of Emily Richardson and Ana Caldwell followed with an rbi single to put Elba back on top to stay.

Alayvia Stinson reached on a walk, stole second and third base, and crossed the plate on a sacrifice fly by Destinee Tidwell to push the Elba lead to 9-5 in the third, but Fruitdale cut the lead to 9-6 in the fourth, and that was still what the scoreboard read heading into the bottom of the fifth.

A'Lyric Whitfield reached on an error, only to be thrown out on a steal attempt, but the Lady Tigers refused to go quietly and after Alayvia Stinson reached on an error, Haylee



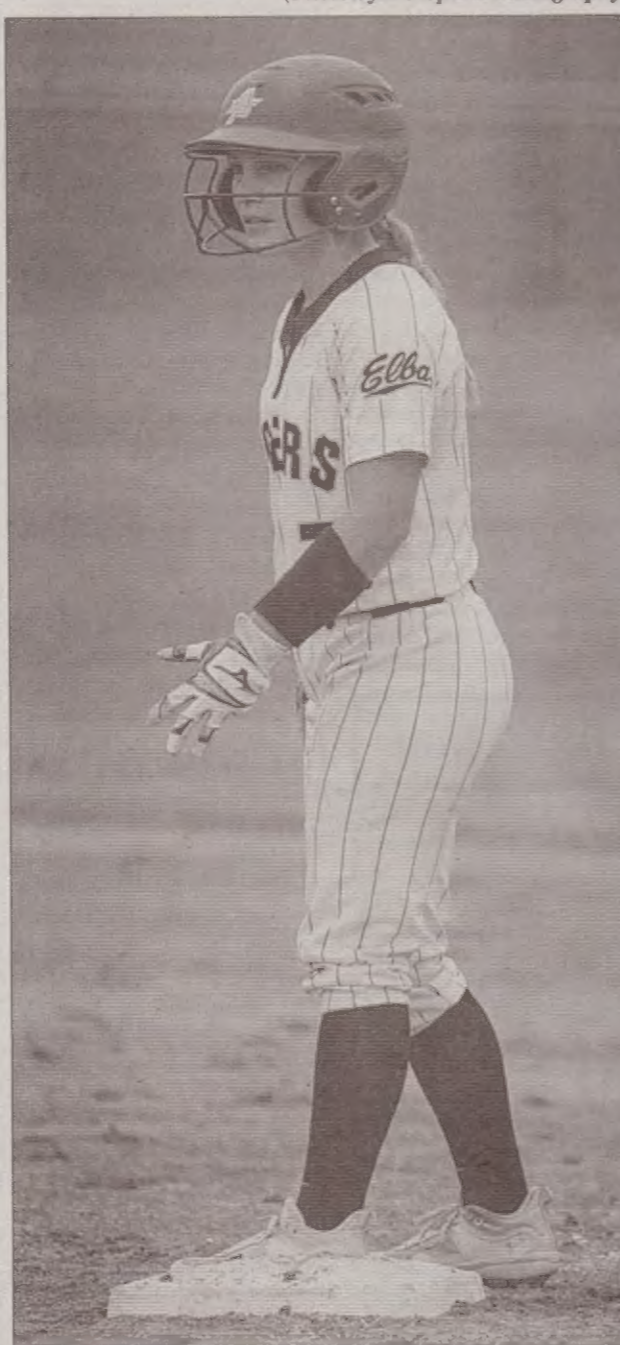
Elba Lady Tiger second baseman Alayvia Stinson reaches for a throw at first base after a bunt attempt in their win over Fruitdale. The Lady Tigers claimed one win at the region tournament.

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Tucker came through with an rbi double to ignite fifth inning fireworks. Destinee Tidwell added an rbi double, Danielle Tidwell added an rbi single, Aimee Senn drew her third walk of the game, and Ana Caldwell blasted a 3-run homer over the centerfield fence to blow the game open. Mary Brooklyn O'Neal ripped her second double of the day, stole third and raced home on an errant throw to put the game away with the Lady Tigers on top 16-6.

Ana Caldwell had 3 hits, including a home-run, scored 2 runs and knocked in 6 runs to lead Elba at the plate, while Destinee Tidwell added 3 hits, including a pair of doubles, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's; Danielle Tidwell added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Mary Brooklyn O'Neal added two doubles, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Haylee Tucker added a double and 1 rbi; Emily Richardson added 1 hit and 1 rbi; Aimee Senn scored 3 runs; Alayvia Stinson scored 2 runs; and, Taylor Day scored 1 run.

Jadyn Caldwell was the winning pitcher, in relief, as she tossed three and one-third innings and allowed no earned runs on one hit. A'Lyric Whitfield was the starting pitcher and allowed no earned runs on three hits and three walks.



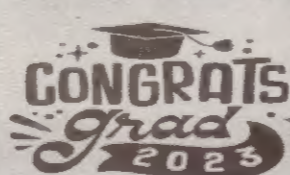
Elba Lady Tiger Aimee Senn is ready to run. Senn scored three runs in the Lady Tigers region win.

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SPORTS NEWS

Tiger golfers keep 3-peat hopes alive

The two-time defending state champion Elba Tigers competed in the eight-team South Sub-State 1A-2A High School Golf Tournament, last week at Cambrian Ridge Golf Course, in Greenville, and placed second on a highly-competitive field to

advance to this week's State Tournament, at Auburn. Freshman Jay Wilson led the Tigers and was the sub-state medalist with a one-under par 71, while other Tiger scores included Trace Grantham 82, Alex Wisecup 91, Bradley Chapman 91 and Powell

Bane 93.

The Tigers fired a team score of 335 to place second behind Pike Liberal Arts (326). Other team scores included Holy Spirit 335, Altamont 337, Tuscaloosa Academy 343, Wicksburg 355, Washington County 369, and Locust Fork 388.

Lady Rebels grab one region win

Statistics from
GAMECHANGER

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels competed at the Class 1A South Region Softball Tournament last week at Gulf Shores and claimed one win in the eight-team event.

Following are highlights from the tournament action: **W'burg 3 Zion Chapel 2**
The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels battled for all seven innings in a 3-2 opening round loss to top-ranked Wicksburg. Madison Meeks had 2 hits to lead Zion Chapel at the plate,

while Amber Kidd added 1 hit and 2 rbi's; and, Riley Bannin, Kaylee Hodge and Sydney Boothe all added 1 hit. Riley Bannin pitched six and one-third innings and allowed no earned runs on three hits and two walks. **Zion Chapel 12 Ariton 2**
The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels led all the way to post an impressive 12-2 elimination game win over Ariton. Madison Meeks had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead Zion Chapel at the plate, while Amber Kidd added 3 hits and 2 rbi's; Kaylee Hodge added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Sydney Boothe added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 4 rbi's; and, Riley Bannin added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi. Sydney Boothe pitched six innings and allowed one earned run on six hits, while striking out seven.

Long 13 Zion Chapel 7
The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels carried a 5-4 lead into the third inning, but couldn't keep up the pace and were eliminated in a 13-7 loss to G.W. Long. Amber Kidd had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 bi to lead Zion Chapel at the plate, while Shea Wambles added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Carlee McAllister added 2 hits and scored 1 run; and, Sydney Boothe and Riley Bannin both added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Riley Bannin and Sydney Boothe combined to pitch seven innings and allowed two earned runs on 12 hits and five walks, while striking out nine.



Zion Chapel Lady Rebel pitcher Sydney Boothe warms up prior to a South Region contest.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Brantley advances to state championship in Class 1A high school baseball action

Statistics from
GAMECHANGER

The Brantley Bulldogs charged into the championship game of the Class 1A High School Baseball playoffs last week with a 2-1, 6-2 double-header sweep over the Billingsley Bears, at Billingsley.

The wins moved the Bulldogs winning streak to 12 games and was the fourth straight double-header sweep in post-season action.

In the opening 2-1 win, Brantley pushed across two

run in the sixth inning to erase a 1-0 deficit and held on for the exciting win. Jayden Parks and Jordan Parks both had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead the Bulldogs at the plate, while Jon Bush added 1 hit and 1 rbi; and, Kaleb Weed and AJ Kilpatrick both added 1 hit and scored 1 run; Cooper Layton was the winning pitcher as he tossed six innings and allowed no earned runs on four hits and two walks, while Jayden Parks picked up the save as he pitched one hitless inning.

Brantley closed out the road series with a 6-2

win in game two, as the Bulldogs pulled ahead early and pulled away late. Jordan Parks had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Brantley at the plate, while AJ Kilpatrick added 1 hit and 2 rbi's; Jayden Parks, Jon Bush and Tyson Grant all added 1 hit and scored 1 run; and, Kaleb Weed added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Jordan Parks was the winning pitcher as he tossed six innings and allowed one earned run on six hits and one walk, while Jayden Parks closed the game with one hitless inking with two strikeouts.

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Officially, the Mobile-Tensaw River Delta area encompasses over 260,000 acres and ranks as the second-largest system in the lower United States. Touching five counties in southeastern Alabama, the waters of the Delta eventually empty

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Boykin picked to head New Brockton basketball program

New Brockton High School announced this week that Joshua Boykin had been named the new head basketball coach for the Gamecocks.

Boykin is a graduate of Enterprise High School, Enterprise State Community College and Troy University, and spent the last three years at Enterprise State Community College as an assistant coach.



Lady Bulldogs headed back to state

Statistics from
GAMECHANGER

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs competed at the Class 1A South Region Softball Tournament last week at Gulf Shores and posted three wins in four games to punch their ticket to this week's State Tournament, as the runner-up in the eight-team region.

Following are highlights from last week's tournament:

Brantley 15 Fruitdale 0

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs needed only three innings to defeat Fruitdale 15-0, in their tourney opener. Kaitlynn Piggott had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's to lead Brantley at the plate, while Emma Crawley added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's; Alex Grimes added 2 hits, including a double and a home-run, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's; Campbell Hawthorne

added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; and, Marley Kilcrease added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi. Anna Free pitched a three-inning no-hitter with eight strikeouts.

Brantley 12 Millry 0

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs were in command throughout the game on a 12-0 semifinal win over Millry. Alex Grimes had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead Brantley at the plate, while Kaylee Navarre and Hope Richardson both added 2 hits and scored 1 run; Anna Free added 1 hit, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi; and, Emma Crawley added 1 hit and scored 3 runs. Kaylee Navarre pitched a seven-inning one-hitter with 17 strikeouts.

Leroy 7 Brantley 2

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs fell behind early and saw a late rally fall short in a 7-2 loss to Leroy, in the winner's bracket finals. Campbell

Hawthorne and Anna Free both had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead Brantley at the plate, while Alex Grimes, Kaitlynn Piggott and Marley Kilcrease all added 1 hit. Kaylee Navarre pitched seven innings and allowed five earned runs on five hits and six walks, while striking out 10.

Brantley 6 Red Level 0

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead early and pulled away late to punch their tickets to the state tournament with a solid 6-0 win over Red Level. Alex Grimes had 2 hits, including a triple and a home-run, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's to lead Brantley at the plate, while Anna Free added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Campbell Hawthorne added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; and, Kaitlynn Piggott added 2 hits. Kaylee Navarre pitched a seven-inning shutout and allowed three hits, while striking out eight.

At South Region

Kinston Lady Bulldogs make final four

Statistics from
GAMECHANGER

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs competed last week at the South Region Softball Tournament in Gulf Shores and posted two wins and two losses to place fourth in the eight-team tourney.

Following is a recap of last week's tournament action:

Kinston 4 Sweet Water 0

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs combined timely hitting with a solid defense to open the tourney with a 4-0 win over Sweet Water. Lilli Sumblin, Brynne Kelley and Bella Lashley all had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston at the plate, while with Sumblin blasting a home-run. Lilli Sumblin was the winning pitcher as she tossed a complete game one-hit shutout with 14 strikeouts.

Leroy 11 Kinston 1

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs fell behind early and ever recovered in an 11-1 semifinal loss to Leroy. Cadence Elmore had 2 hits to lead Kinston at the plate, while Aubrie Brown added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Lilli Sumblin and Bella Lashley both added 1 hit. Lauren Norris and Lilli Sumblin combined to pitch five innings and allowed six earned runs on 11 hits and eight walks.

Kinston 16 Elba 2

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs spotted Elba an early 2-0 lead and then came roaring back to post a 16-2 elimination game win. Cadence Elmore had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's to lead Kinston



Kinston Lady Bulldog pitcher Lauren Norris delivers a pitch to the plate in a region win.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

at the plate, while Madysyn Jones added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; and, Lilli Sumblin added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's. Lauren Norris pitched five innings and allowed no earned runs on five hits. Danielle Tidwell had 2 hits and 1 rbi to lead Elba at the plate, while Aimee Senn added 1 hit and 1 rbi; and, Mary Brooklyn O'Neal and Alayvia Stinson both added 1 hit. Zaniyah Mitchell and Jadyn Caldwell combined to pitch four innings and allowed nine earned runs on

12 hits and three walks.

Red Level 4 Kinston 1

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs saw a 1-0 fourth inning lead slip away in a 4-1 elimination game loss to Red Level. Camdyn Norris had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead Kinston at the plate, while Bella Lashley added 1 hit and 1 rbi; and, Cadence Elmore and Madysyn Jones both added 1 hit. Lilli Sumblin pitched six innings and allowed three earned runs on five hits and six walks, while striking out nine.

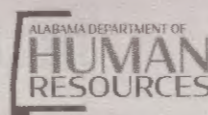
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FISH

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ty into Mobile Bay. This is like home to the Saraland and Baldwin County Fishing teams.

As Avery Padgett stated, "One last ride on the Delta surprisingly didn't disappoint."

Due to scheduling conflicts, they did not get to pre-fish, but they caught fish all day. They came to weigh-in with their five fish limit that tipped the scales at 9.86 pounds. These results placed Team Padgett/Young in tenth place out of a field of 80 boats.

They left with money in their pockets as they came home with the Freedom Marine Center Contingency Award of \$1,000. This makes a total of \$9,000 over the past two years.

"The boys from Zion Chapel Bass Team did it again," said Darrel High.

The ZC team has one more tournament on the East Alabama High School Trail.



Avery Padgett and Ethan Young received the Freedom Marine Center Contingency Award of \$1,000 at their most recent fishing tournament. Pictured with the team are two BASS Nation officials (left and right). In the center is Avery Padgett, boat captain Taylor Renfro, and Ethan Young.

Afterwards they will move on to the STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT. Currently they are ranked number 11 in the ANGLER OF THE YEAR in the Alabama BASS Nation High

School Tiger Division in a field of 111 anglers. These anglers and the ones in the Tide Division will compete in the State Championship in June at Logan Martin.



SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO LOCAL STUDENTS...The members of the Elba Masonic Lodge #170 presented annual scholarships last Thursday evening, May 11, during a ceremony held at the lodge. All in attendance enjoyed food, refreshments, and fellowship as part of the evening. This year's scholarship recipients are pictured above with Lodge presenters Eddie Kelley and Wendell Black. They are: (front, l to r) Hallee Elizabeth Deal, Brianna Nichole Davis, Lily Marie Davis, Anna Katherine Clark, Camron Bailey Blackmon, and Raegan Victoria Bragg; (middle, l to r) Matthew Calvin Nichols, Aryn Elizabeth Nelson, William Douglas Michaels, Layken Cole Hussey, and Justin Wade Fulford; (third row, l to r) Kinley Brooke Ross [Edward Lamar Kelley Family Scholarship], Ella Jordan Saunders [Culver Family Scholarship], Destiny Rae Winters, Gunner Shade Sawyer, and Avery Kyle Padgett. Scholarship recipients not pictured included: Brian Kayley Autrey, Mary-Austin Victoria Stabler, and Patrick Whitworth Shehee.

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Elba Schools

Band Member Spotlight

by Ty Sieving

Name: Zalie McKelvy
Grade: 11th Age: 17

Instruments Played/Band Section: Saxophone & Danceline

How long have you been in the band? 7 years

What is your best memory from your time in the band?

Riding front row in "The Hulk" at Universal Studios.

What is some advice you would give to younger band members? Don't quit and come to class!

Who is your role model/who inspires you and why?

Katelyn Turner. She was my first danceline captain and demonstrated leadership qualities that I hope to



show now.

What are your plans for the future? Attend the University of Alabama to earn a degree in Electrical Engineering.

Student Spotlight

by Conner Herrington

Name: Ahmad Noumi
Grade: 9th Age: 14

What do you love about EHS? The one thing that I love about EHS is my classmates. They are always kind, smart, and fun to hang out with.

What do you like to do in your free time? In my free time I like to stop, think, and reflect. I also enjoy playing video games.

What are your plans for the future? I plan to finish



high school and then go on to a University to get a master's degree.

What is your favorite subject in school? My favorite subject is science. It's very interesting to learn about and I enjoy having Coach Weeks as a teacher.

Upcoming at Elba City Schools:

• Football Spring Game will be Thursday, May 18, at 6 p.m. at Tiger Stadium. Elba, Goshen and Carroll of Ozark will be competing.

• Elba High School graduation for the Class of 2023 will be Tuesday, May 23, at 7 p.m., at Tiger Stadium.



LBW Visit (by Ja'Siyah Reed)...Welding and Diesel Mechanics students from the Elba Career Academy visited LBWCC in Opp, Ala. on Monday, May 8th. Students enjoyed taking a tour and seeing options for furthering their education after high school. Elba High School junior Grady Grantham said, "The trip was very informative and I learned a lot about all that LBW has to offer me after I graduate high school." Students were also given the opportunity to sign up for dual enrollment classes.

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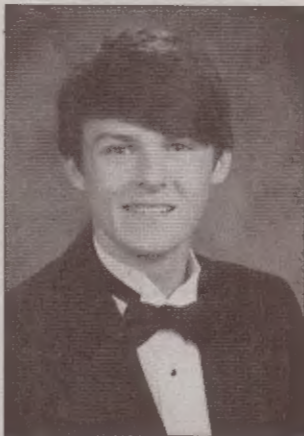
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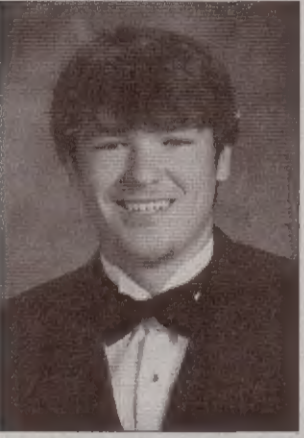
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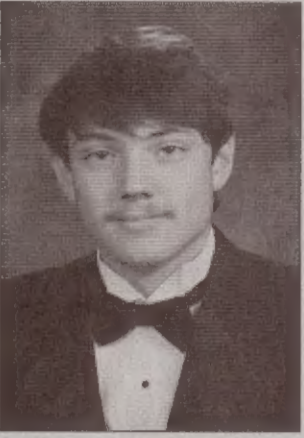
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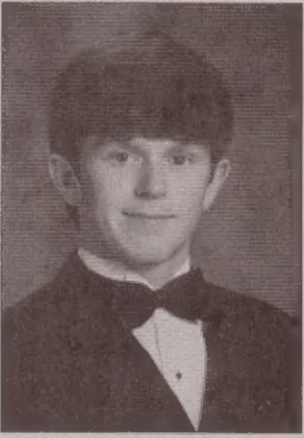
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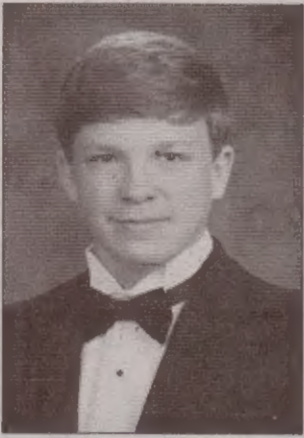
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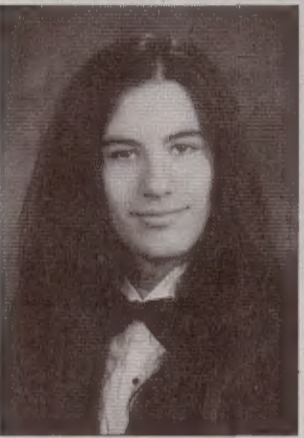
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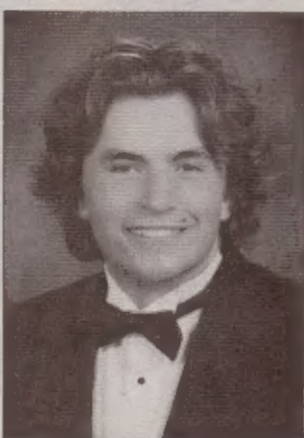
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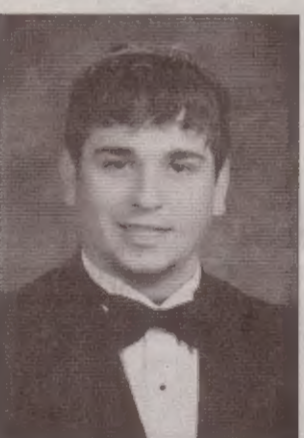
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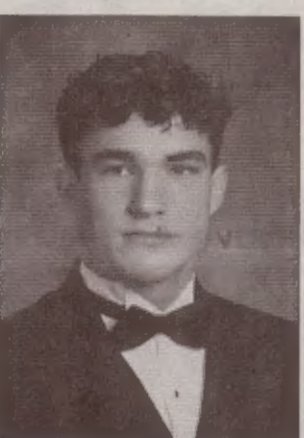
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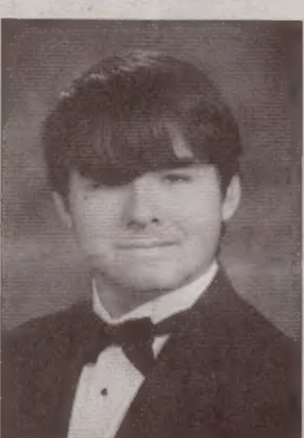
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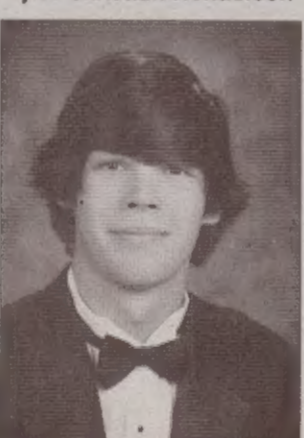
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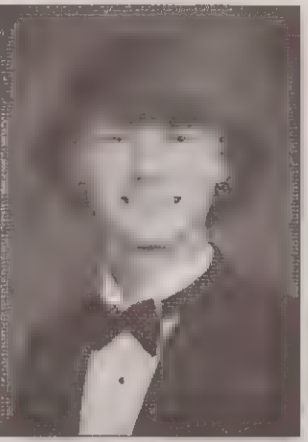
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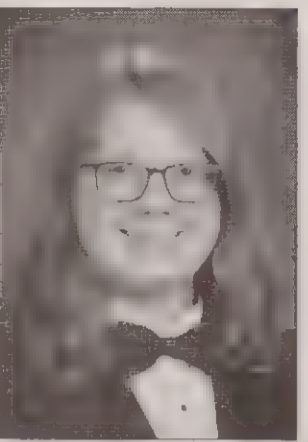
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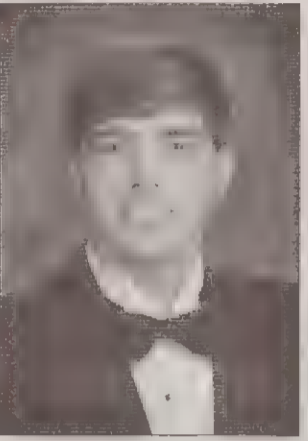
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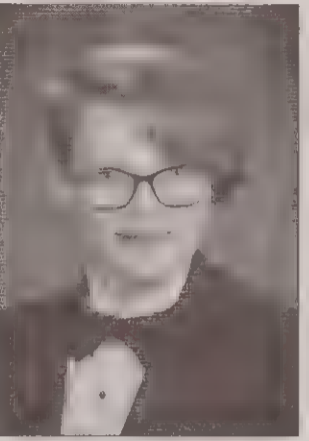
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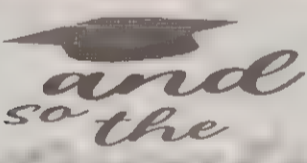
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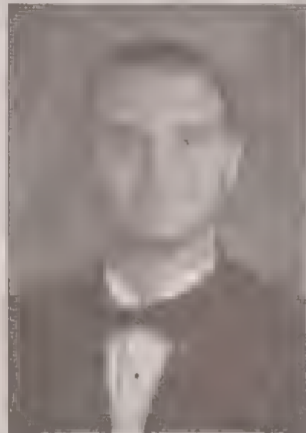
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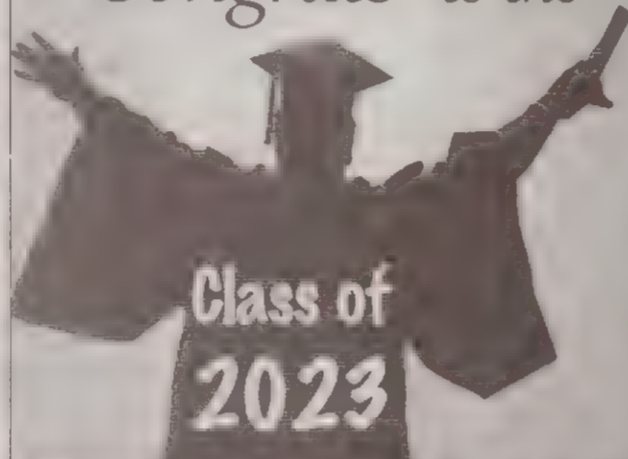
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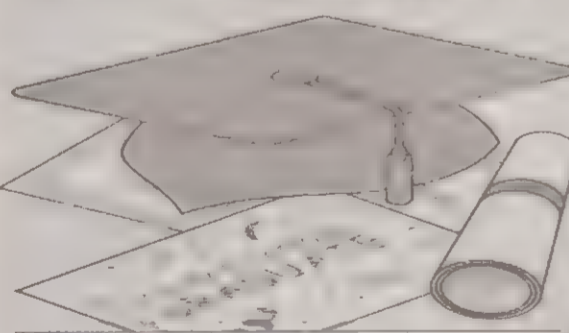
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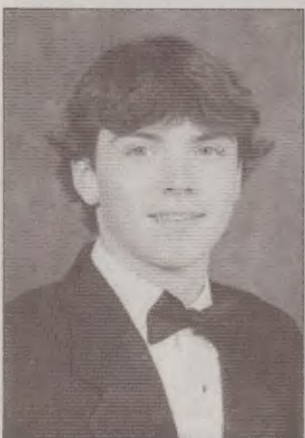
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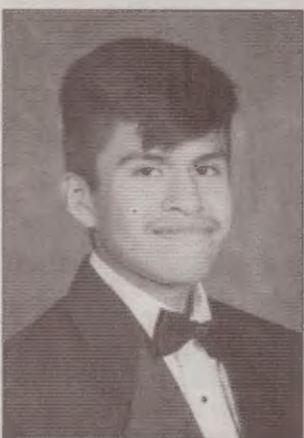
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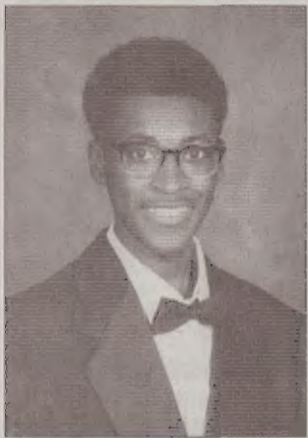
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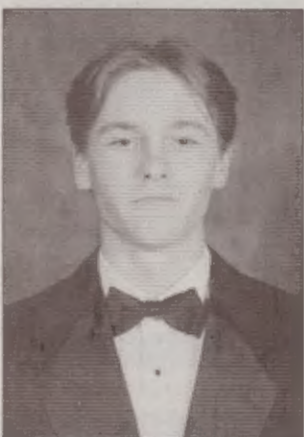
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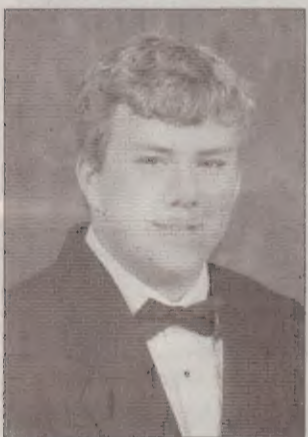
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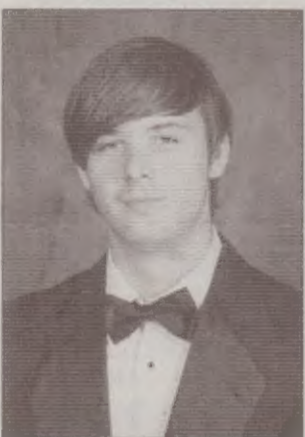
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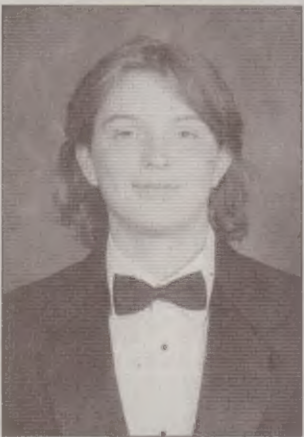
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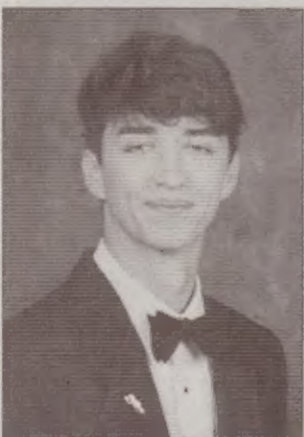
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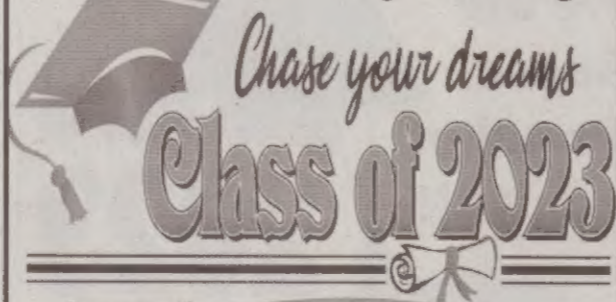


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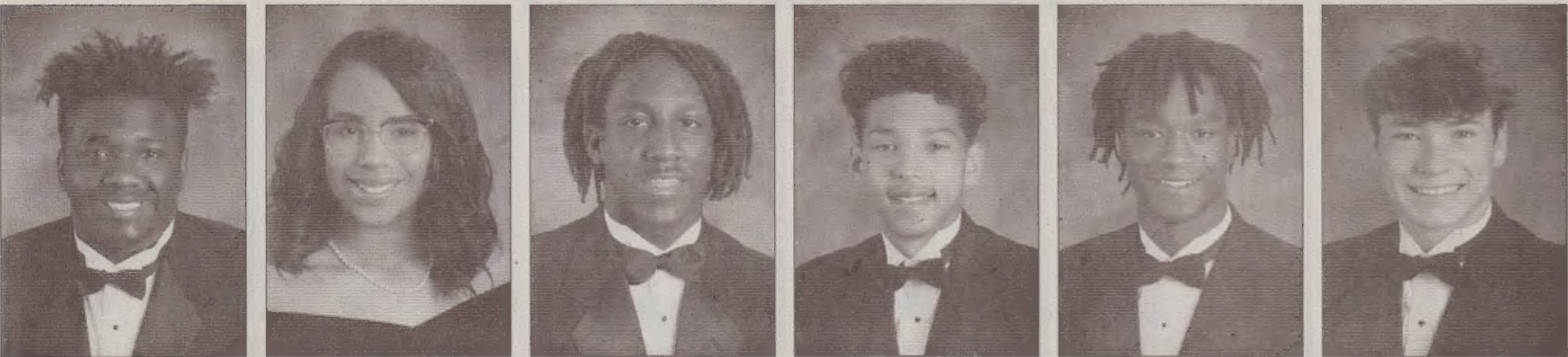
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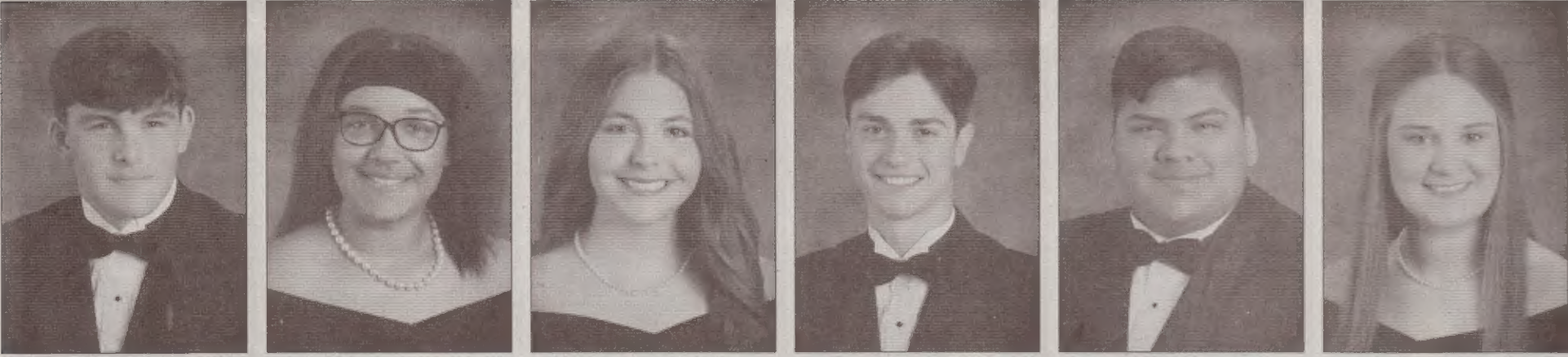
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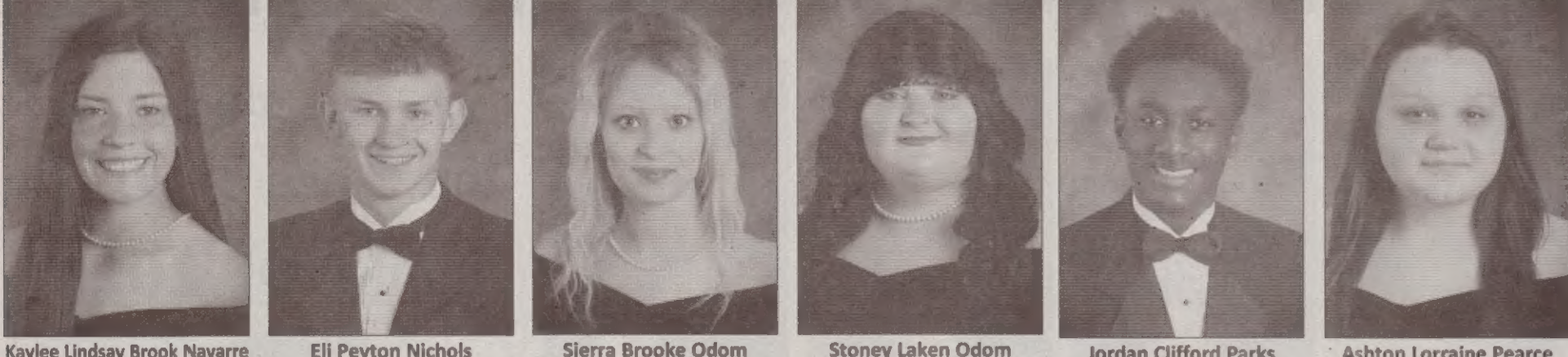
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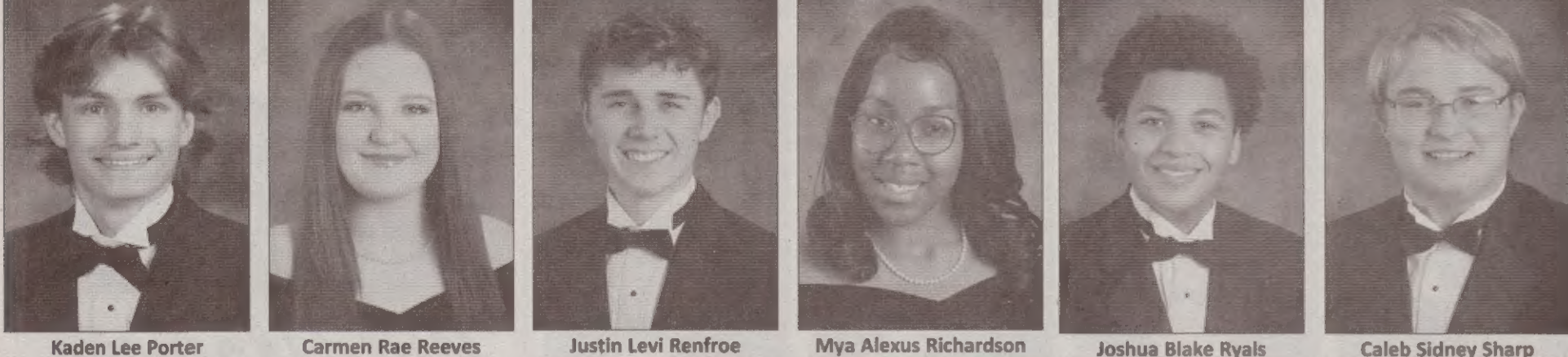
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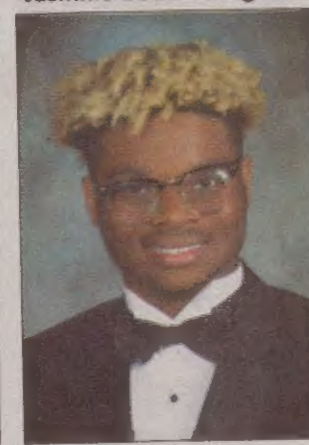
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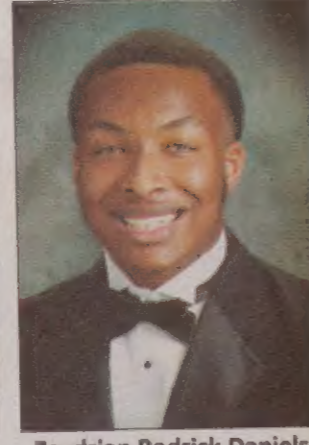
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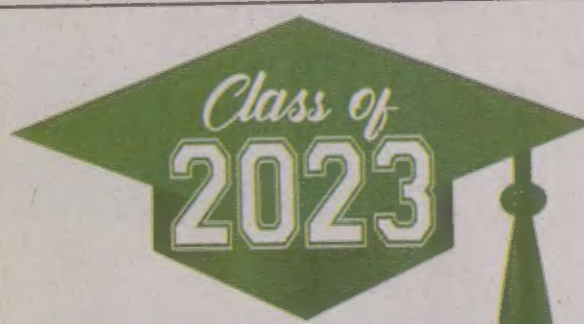


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